



# Joni Talavera

## Powerlifting



Joni Talavera is a powerlifter from Bethlehem, Pa. who first started with Special Olympics four years ago. In addition to powerlifting, she competes in gymnastics, ice skating, roller skating, softball and track & field. She recently won four gold medals at the 2017 Fall Fest at Villanova University and also attended the 2014 USA Games in New Jersey.

Currently a student at Northampton Community College, she loves to travel, meet new people, write stories, shop and walk through nature.

### IN HER WORDS

“ I’m excited for the privilege to attend the USA Games. ”

**Hometown:** Bethlehem, Pa.

**Age/Years Involved:** 36/4

**Other Sports:** Gymnastics, ice skating, roller skating, softball and track & field

**Local Program:** Northampton County

**Role:** Athlete

